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FBI SPY ARREST BROKAW: Good evening, I'm Tom Brokaw with NBC Nightly News. The FBI today arrested one of its own as a double agent, a spy for the Soviet Union. The suspected spy is Richard Miller, an FBI agent for 20 years. He was working in counterespionage when he met a Soviet couple, and according to the FBI the Russian woman was a major in the KGB. They say that Miller fell for her. George Lewis reports it is a dark moment in the FBI's history.

LEWIS: The government contends that agent Miller met here, in this West Hollywood apartment house, with the Soviet couple and offered to sell government secrets. The price: \$50,000 in gold and \$7,000 in cash. Miller, a 1963 graduate of Brigham Young University, was not considered an especially good agent by some of his colleagues. He had been reprimanded several times for sloppy work. At his house in a Los Angeles suburb, investigators found a number of stolen classified documents. This is the first time in its history that the FBI has arrested one of its own on spying charges. As one agent put it, 'This is a real emotional time for us.' In Washington, FBI Director William Webster had this reaction: WILLIAM\WEBSTER (FBI director): First time that I know of any charges ever being brought, but we brought it. We investigated it, and we have taken appropriate steps to limit the damage.

LEWIS: The damage may be that the Soviets have learned a few things about FBI techniques to combat spying. Miller appeared in court this morning and entered no plea. He is being held without bail. His wife and one of his eight children were present. Miller split his time between his job in Los Angeles and his family in San Diego and was said to be having serious personal and financial problems. Nikolay and Svetlana Ogorodnikov appeared in court this afternoon. Government sources say she is a major in the KGB and may have been having an affair with the FBI man. The charges, according to the FBI, are extremely serious. RICHARD\BRETZING (FBI agent in charge, Los Angeles): If convicted of these charges, these individuals could receive a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.